Public health administration at the central, state, and local levels in India has several roles, including:

- Policymaking: The central government's Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is responsible for policymaking, planning, and coordination between states.
- Service delivery: State governments provide medical care and public health services within their borders. Local governments plan and deliver services that address social determinants of health, such as education, transport, housing, and urban planning.
- Health promotion: Public health administration promotes and encourages healthy behaviors.
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- Program support: Public health administration supports programs that improve the community.